Docket No.: 57454-309

## **PATENT**

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

, Shigeki TOMISHIMA

- Serial No.: 09/996,574

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Examiner: V.A. Mandala Jr.

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated September 24, 2002, now due to expire December 24, 2002, be extended for one (1) month and set to expire on January 24, 2003.

Please charge the extension fee of \$110.00 to Deposit Account No. 500417. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417.

Respectfully submitted,

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